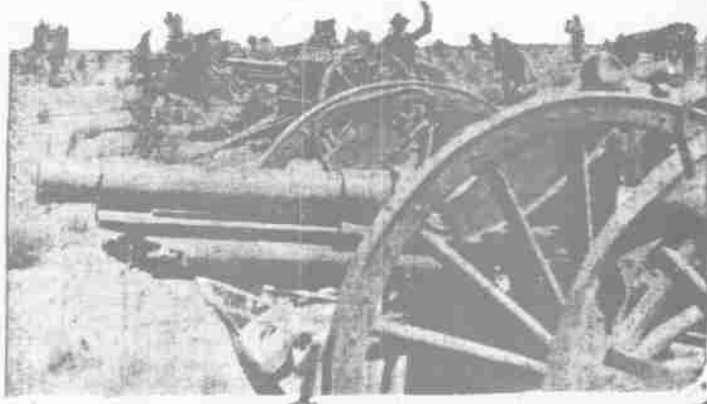


U. S. ARTILLERY LINED UP IN BATTLE ARRAY FOR PROTECTION AGAINST BANDITS!



A stranger dropped suddenly into the northern part of Mexico would have not much trouble getting the idea the United States is actually at war. Artillery is stationed along the line of communication from the border to Gen. Pershing's headquarters in regular army array. The picture shows part of the artillery. Gen. Pershing has taken every precaution to protect his line of communication from roving bandits and at the same time is giving his troopers training in artillery practice.

IN SELF-DEFENSE

Entering a hotel barber shop the hard-faced man proceeded to open a bulging handbag which he carried.

"This is pomade," he announced, producing a little white pot.

"I am well supplied," replied the barber sharply, "and—"

"This is shaving soap," went on the stranger, as he held out a little case.

"Yes, but—"

"Here is some bay rum."

"Perhaps it is, but I make my own, and—"

"Here is a moustache fixative."

"I have plenty of it in the—"

"And here are an electric hair-brush, lavender water, dry shampoo, patent razor strop, and double strength dye for fading hair."

"I don't want any of them!" asserted the barber, as he eyed his visitor angrily.

"I know you don't."

"Then why have you shown them?"

"Because," said the man wearily, as he closed his bag, "I want to come here for a hair-cut, and I don't want you to try and palm off any more toilet requisites on me. I have all I want."

Competitive bids for hauling city garbage via river to be asked by city,